

MOUNT'S SUDDEN DEATH

Indiana's Ex-Governor Expires of Heart Trouble.

Dies in His Room at a Hotel in Indianapolis After Returning From a Walk—Retired From His Office Only Last Monday—Political Rise Due to Popularity With Farmers

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 16.—Ex-Gov. James A. Mount, who retired from office with the inauguration of his successor last Monday, left his rooms, at the Denison Hotel this evening and took a walk about the city. When he returned ho

troubling him. A moment later he fell over on the bed in his room and expired.

During his term as Governor he was frequently compelled to leave his duties at the capitol on account of sickness, and he often complained of the strain of office upon him. Only a few days ago his friends started a movement to have him appointed Commissioner of Agriculture.

Mr. Mount was fifty-seven years old

He was brought up on a farm, but received a collegiate education. He served through the civil war.

After the close of the war he married Miss Kate A. Boyd, who had graduated from the same school. He was a Presbyterian elder, and was the Vice Moderator of the General Assembly which met in Winona, Ind., a few years ago. In 1881 Mr. Mount, with reluctance, accepted what was then thought to be a hopeless race for State Senator, but was elected by over 690 majority.

In 1899 he was nominated for Congress in the Terre Haute district, but went down in the general defeat, which went

over the State. He was elected Governor of Indiana on the Republican ticket in 1896. His term of office expired on January 1, 1901. The moment that Mr. Mount was a farmer coupled with his activity as a public speaker, created a demand for his services as a lecturer in agricultural colleges and before farmers' institutions.

In one of his annual messages as Governor Mr. Mount made this reference to lynchings:

"It cannot be argued that law enforcement of law justifies a manifestation of contempt of courts and a disregard for the law by any county and that the lawless sentiment to prevent lynchings from being punished can also organize against crime and punish criminals in a court of justice."

In April of last year Governor Mount issued a harsh requisition from Kentucky demanding the return of W. S. Taylor, saying: "It would be un-
lawful to let him go."

Justice is a thing that is not to be trifled with.

NEFF I. 2008 THE MOUNTAIN TO WEAPON

**Reported Willing to Confess If He
Is Not Punished.**

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 16.—Friends of C.

P. W. Neely, the alleged embezzler of Cuban postal funds, who recently visited him in the Ludlow Street jail, reported that he gave evidence of weakening and professed a willingness to tell all he knew and make full restitution of the stolen money, if the Government would grant him immunity from punishment.

They say he told them he had enough money in sight, with what his friends could raise, to make good the entire shortage, but the Government had shown no disposition to treat with him. It is said that he was fearful of the result of his case before the Supreme Court and they now expected him to offer to disclose everything in order to obtain mercy.

THE MOB'S ACTION DENOUNCED.

**Strong Condemnatory Resolutions
Adopted by Kansas Legislators.**
TULSA Kan. Jan. 16.—After great ex-

citement in the House today the following joint resolutions denouncing the Leavenworth mob were almost unanimously adopted:

The Legislature and the general public that on yesterday, in the city of Leavenworth, a colored citizen, who had been convicted of a crime, was unlawfully taken from the jail by a mob, out of the protection and when in the custody of the sheriff, and that the citizens of this city, without trial or sanction of law, and in violation of every principle of humanity and good citizenship, were induced to take part in this lawless band, was taken to a stake and in a few minutes burned to death, and that the Legislature, therefore, be it.

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives and the joint session thereof, That we deplore and denounce the execution of this man in this summary manner, without a fair and impartial trial, and that the Governor to death.

Governor Sanley's course in offering no reward was commended, and a most rigid investigation is called for.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Jan. 16.—The news that the Legislature had determined to

for the burning of Fred Alexander, has caused an uneasy feeling here. Members of the mob are greatly alarmed over the regular police force's determination to offer a reward for their apprehension. The mob leaders were bold and defiant yesterday, parading around high Alexander's doorway in the warm weather, photographer not to print any pictures showing their faces, under penalty of having the same fate meted out to him.

Efforts are being made to get any witnesses to testify to anything connected with the killing of Alexander, although fully 5,000 persons are believed to have witnessed the city marshal and sheriff say that no effort has been made to apprehend any of those implicated in the burning of Alexander, and that nothing of the kind was contemplated.

The "Chronicle," a paper partially owned and controlled by Mayor Neely, contained an editorial yesterday, signed by Alexander, Mr. Ray, Ralph New-

man, of the Congregational Church, denounced the editorial in bitter terms this evening, and said that on next Sunday he would make the action of the mob the text of his sermon. It is reported this evening that the negroes have banded together and planned to kill William Forbes, the father of Pearl Forbes, whose murder was made the pretext for the burning of the school.

Alexander,

HISTORIC HOUSE BURNED.

**The Structure Where Lincoln's
Mother Plighted Her Troth.**

DANVILLE, Ky., Jan. 15.—Fire has de-
stroyed the house in which Nancy Hanks

the mother of Abraham Lincoln, plighted her troth to Thomas Lincoln, his father. It was the first two-story house erected in Boyle county and was over a century old.

